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Dear Interested Party,

The Flagstaff Ranger District of the Coconino National Forest has released an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Kelly Motorized Trail Project, and is seeking input on the project. You are being contacted because you either commented on the project, or otherwise expressed interest in receiving more information on the project.

The Kelly Motorized Trail Project is located south of Flagstaff, Arizona on the Flagstaff Ranger District of the Coconino National Forest, and is located within all or portions of T20N, R7E, Sec. 4, 8-17, 20-29, 32-36; T19N, R7E, Sec. 1-5, 8-17, 20-36; T19N, R6E, Sec. 25 and 26; T19N, R8E, Sec. 29-32; T18N, R6E, Sec. 1 and 12; T18N, R8E, Sec. 5-8, 17, and 18; T18N, R7E, Sec. 1-5, 8-14. The project area is bordered by the Flagstaff Pulliam Airport, Interstate 17, Forest Service roads, as well as private lands including the communities of Mountaineer and Munds Park. Elevations range from approximately 6500 to 7700 feet. The purpose of this project is to develop legal opportunities for Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) recreation while protecting sensitive forest resources. There is a need to provide a diverse trail system that meets the increasing public demand for motorized recreation on designated routes and to reduce unmanaged and illegal motorized recreation in the project area. In order to achieve this designating and constructing both trail and support facilities for OHVs is proposed. The Proposed Action and accompanying mitigation measures are described in more detail in Chapter 2 of the EA.

The EA is available for review online on the Coconino National Forest planning website at www.fs.usda.gov/projects/coconino/landmanagement/projects. Hard copies of the EA are available upon request from the Flagstaff Ranger District, 5075 N. Highway 89, Flagstaff, AZ 86004. Office hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please contact Leah Schofield, Environmental Coordinator, at (928) 527-8240, or by email ljschofield@fs.fed.us to request a copy.

The comment period ends 30 days following the date of publication of this legal notice in the *Arizona Daily Sun*. This publication date is the exclusive means for calculating the time to submit comments on the proposed action. Those wishing to comment on this proposal should not rely upon dates or timeframes provided by any other source. Only those who provide comment or otherwise express interest in the proposed action during the comment period will be eligible as appellants. Interest expressed or comments provided on this project prior to or after the close of this comment period will not constitute standing for appeal purposes. Comments must meet the requirements of 36 CFR 215.6. Legal notices published in the *Arizona Daily Sun* can be found at www.azdailysun.com.

Comments must be submitted to Leah Schofield, Environmental Coordinator, Flagstaff Ranger District, 5075 N. Highway 89, Flagstaff, AZ 86004, fax (928) 527-8288. Comments may be submitted by email in word (.doc or .docx), rich text format (.rtf), text (.txt), and hypertext markup language (.html) to



comments-southwestern-coconino-flagstaff@fs.fed.us. Upon receipt of an electronically-mailed comment, the sender should normally receive an automated electronic acknowledgement from the agency as confirmation of receipt. If the sender does not receive an automated electronic acknowledgement, it is the sender's responsibility to ensure timely receipt by other means. Comments may also be hand delivered weekdays 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the above stated address. To be eligible for appeal, each individual or representative from each organization submitting comments must either sign the comments or verify identity upon request. Names and addresses of commenters will become part of the public record.

We appreciate your input and continuing participation with our forest management programs. Should you have questions, need additional information, or if you would like to be taken off the mailing list for this project please contact Leah Schofield (contact information above).

Sincerely,



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Deputy District Ranger

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